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) Group Art Unit: 2822
Application No.: 10/812,987)
) Examiner: Mark V. Prenty
Filed: March 31, 2004)
) Confirmation No. 5987
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE)
AND METHOD OF)
MANUFACTURING THE SAME)

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56 and 1.97(b), applicants bring to the Examiner's attention the documents listed on attached Form PTO/SB/08. Copies of the listed documents are attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the documents listed on attached Form PTO/SB/08 and indicate that they were considered by making an appropriate notation on this form.

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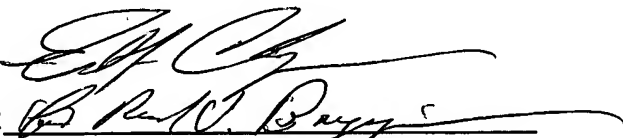
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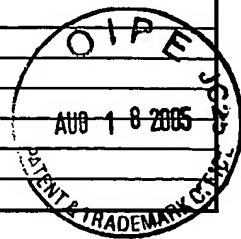
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